ATTACHMENT A

REMARKS

By this submission, Applicants provide information in the form of a Declaration which further reflects that one of ordinary skill in the art of the field of the present invention would readily be able to prepare the claimed compounds using simple chemical reactions well familiar to the ordinary practitioner.

In the Final Rejection, the only rejection was a rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph of Claims 1-7 on the basis that the compounds of the claims were not described in such a way so that one skilled in the art would be able to make these compounds. Despite a prior Declaration submitted by Applicants, the Examiner asserted that one skilled in the art would not know how to make the compounds, and that the prior Declaration did not indicate how to make the compounds. Contrary to the assertions of the Examiner, these compounds have indeed been made using ordinary skill in the art well available to the ordinary practitioner, as is shown in more detail in the attached Declaration of Dr. Michael P. Kirkup, Ph.D.¹ Accordingly, for reasons as expressed in the Declaration an as set forth below, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed.

In particular, as expressed in the attached Kirkup Declaration, the complete range of compounds covered by the present claims have been prepared using conventional means and techniques readily available to the ordinary practitioner. As shown in the attached Declaration, Dr. Kirkup and his group had no problems preparing the compounds of the present invention using conventional techniques and processes

¹ The executed Declaration will follow shortly.

well known to those of ordinary skill in the art, and it is clear that the preparation of the present compounds is well within the skill of the ordinary practitioner in this filed.

As a result, it is clear that the presently claimed compounds can be readily be obtained by one of ordinary skill in the art, and that the Examiner's objection on the basis that one skilled in the art would not be able to make and use the invention is respectfully traversed and should be withdrawn.

Accordingly, in light of the present amendments and the arguments as set forth above, Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

END OF REMARKS

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